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VICTORIA DAILY COLONIST, THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1904.

FORTY-SIXTH YEAR.

Fire in The

Subway

Blaze in New York's New Under-ground Railroad
Yesterday.

Streets Had to be Torn up to
Allow Workers to Escape
Suffocation.

All Alarm Wires Burnt Out and
Lower Section of City
Isolated.

New York, April 6.—The woodwork in the subway under construction is on fire at Broadway and Fulton streets. A dense volume of smoke is pouring from the entrances.

A large number of laborers are employed in the subway and the fire cut off their usual means of egress so that it was necessary to tear up the street a block further down Broadway to let them escape at a place where the excavation had been hoisted over. The work on the subway is all being done underground. Traffic continues as usual on the street above.

There were only a few places where the smoke could escape, and the tunnels soon became choked with dense smoke, which poured out in dense volumes from the few openings to the street above. Firemen were not able to enter the subway on account of the dense volumes of smoke, but they made several openings for safety, one from the basement of the Mutual Life and Express building, two through the planking in front of the Western Union building. The strong timber construction of the subway surface constructed here particularly of massive timbers and beams and heavy planking to accommodate the heavy traffic of lower Broadway, made it very difficult for the firemen assisted by subway timbermen to get an opening of any size. However, the water that was poured down on the fire from the street above smothered the flames after hours of hard work. The fire seriously interfered with the telephone and telegraph service in the lower part of the city. The fire was caused by the explosion of a small lamp known as a "Banjo" lamp, used by the laborers in their underground work.

Some of the most important wires which centered at the point where the blaze occurred, were so damaged as to render useless all fire alarm wires below Fulton street. This made it impossible for a fire alarm to be rung from any of the downtown boxes south of Fulton street. Temporary repairs were completed after four hours. Telegraph and telephone wires also were interfered with. It is said the permanent repairs for all the wires, telegraph, telephone and fire department, will take at least two months, although temporary repairs will be completed within forty-eight hours.

Overhauled By
Cruiser Bayan

London Times Correspondent
Succeeds in Locating One
Russian Craft.

Admiral Makarov on Board and
Shot Compels Ship to
Heave To.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

On board the steamer Haifun, cruising off Port Arthur (by De Forrest wireless telegraph to Wei-Hai-Wei, April 7)—"We have been sailing about here since Sunday, and not until yesterday afternoon did we encounter a vessel flying either a Russian or Japanese flag. While passing Dalny yesterday afternoon we discovered a large four-funnel cruiser flying the Russian flag. We stood on our course and the cruiser gave chase and we then saw that she was the Bayan. She stood after us with high speed and soon was close enough to make out our ensign. She then stood away to the south only to return to the pursuit a few minutes later.

"She fired a shot across our bows and we stood down, a cutter then put off and the cruiser was soon joined by two Russian lieutenants, who examined our papers closely. They then ordered the crew mustered and looked the men over before going back to the Bayan. The two Russian officers closely examined our wireless apparatus and asked to see my copy of my latest despatches, which was cheerfully shown to them. They only detained us long enough to assure themselves that we were actually what we pretended to be and then returned to their ship.

"The Bayan showed a number of signs of her encounters with the Japanese. Many splinter marks were visible and there was a large hole through one of her stacks. Notwithstanding the ship's magnificently hand-lined in her dash to overhaul us. The two officers and the crew who hearded us are fine, active-appearing, who looked as if they were very efficient seamen.

"The Bayan was flying an admiral's flag, so it is fair to assume that Vice Admiral Makarov was on board, but of course was impossible of verification as we were fully thirty miles from Port Arthur when boarded. It is also fair to assume that the entrance to the Far East is still clear enough to permit the passage of the Russian warships.

TO SAVE THE JAPS.

U. S. Government Will Intercede For
Overseas Servants.

Washington, April 6.—Secretary Hay will request Ambassador McCormick at St. Petersburg to use his good offices with the Russian government in behalf of the Japanese servants of the American correspondents, Washburn and Little, who were removed from the British steamer Faway at New Chwang and thrown into prison. As the United States has assumed the duty of looking after and protecting the Japanese in Russia, there is ample authority for such an application. But it is said that the bringing of these Japanese to New Chwang, knowing it to be in Russian possession, for a long time past, was certainly indiscreet, and they can be saved from the consequences only through the leniency of the Russian government.

Wants More Disallowance

Ralph Smith Will Ask Government to Veto More Acts of Local Legislature.

Canadian Institute of Civil Engineers Again Protest at Liberal Actions.

Bill Will Be Introduced to Regulate Observance of Lord's Day.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 6.—Ralph Smith will ask that a number of acts passed by the legislature of British Columbia last year be disallowed.

The Canadian Institute of Engineers have sent a further protest against the employment of aliens on the Grand Trunk Pacific surveys.

A delegation from the Lord's Day Alliance waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier today asking that a bill be introduced for the better observance of the Lord's day. It was arranged that the minister of justice should introduce a bill in the House and afterwards refer it to the Supreme court so as to get a decision as to whether it was within the jurisdiction of the Dominion and did not encroach on the provinces. The bill will prohibit alien work and business, except work of necessity and mercy. It prohibits Sunday excursions for pleasure, rifle practice, entertainments and sports to which an admission fee is charged. It provides a graded penalty for infractions of the law from \$1 to \$40 for employees, and from \$10 to \$100 for employers, and from \$250 to \$5,000 for corporations.

The Duke of Sutherland, who arrived here last night, called on Sir Wilfrid Laurier this forenoon. Mr. Justice Nesbitt, of the Supreme court, entertained the distinguished visitor to luncheon at the Rieden Club today. The name of the Duke has been put forward in certain quarters as the next general secretary of Canada, to succeed Lord Minto.

Mr. Kent, city treasurer, was first examined and swears that no license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors was granted to Kwong Yee Hing of No. 11, Fisgard street, under that name. He could not say whether a license was granted to him under any other name. The city granted four licenses to Chinese. Their names were W. Chee Yet, of Government street; F. Chu Yee, Cormorant street; L. Chu San, Government street, and L. Chu San, Fisgard street. These licenses were issued on January 27th, permitting the holders to sell only for the city. As the city needed revenue, he granted them verbal permission to sell on the understanding they would not be molested while he was in power. This was done after consulting with the city solicitor. Mr. McCandless was examined and explained that shortly after assuming office it was explained to him that the Chinese were selling liquor and that an opportunity presented itself to get additional revenue for the city. As the city needed revenue, he granted them verbal permission to sell on the understanding they would not be molested while he was in power. This was done after consulting with the city solicitor. He knew they could not grant retail licenses. The matter never came before the board of licensing commissioners. There was nothing to prevent a white man from purchasing liquor. He knew they could not legally be granted a retail license.

Mr. Kent was also examined and explained that forty Chinamen were in the syndicate and these forty contributed \$5 apiece.

Magistrate Hall in giving his decision said:

"It is hard to know what to do in these cases. All the defendants have pleaded guilty. This is an acknowledgement on their part that exhibits five and six, being the licenses purported to be issued to them, are really not licenses, and that they are not valid and legal licenses. I cannot see how they can claim anything else in this case, which is one of the most serious cases that has ever come before me under the 'Licensing Acts' for the sale of liquor.

The applications for these licenses that have been put in, it is admitted under oath, show that the applications are frauds. They are false on the face of them. They are in reality names of boards of trade which names mean nothing.

The applications show that sales are to be by wholesale in quantities of not less than two gallons at any one time.

The evidence shows that there was a complete understanding between the then Mayor of Victoria and Tim Kee, president of the Chinese board of trade, and representing the Chinese merchants. It was a violation of law in my opinion of the grossest kind.

If licenses of this nature are to have a legal or binding effect the Legislature might as well go out of business. It is a contract by the Mayor in which the law can be set aside and treated as of no effect. This is a species of blackmail.

This transaction comes pretty close to a conspiracy."

Yesterday in the Police court the Provincial Licensed Vintners' Association brought a charge against Kwong Yee Hing for selling whiskey without a license. Mr. Frank Higgins represented the prosecutors, and Mr. C. E. Pooley defended.

Mr. Higgins, counsel for the prosecution, has stated as being done in this matter as constituting a violation of the law, is correct.

"It is a violation of law in my opinion of the grossest kind. The then Mayor of Victoria admits that it was the only way by which they could raise a revenue from the sale of liquor by the Chinese. In order to raise it they resort to undermining the law. If licenses of this nature are to have a legal or binding force the legislature might as well go out of business.

"In that respect it is the most serious liquor case that has ever come before me. It is not an attempt on the part of a private citizen to commit a violation of the law, but it is a contract by the Mayor by which the law can be set aside and treated as of no effect.

"It is impossible for me to express my condemnation of this transaction in terms that are too strong. In reference to the defendants themselves, Mr. Higgins has said that the prosecution has no evidence to show that they could hardly seem just, as sworn to by the ex-Mayor that the Chinamen were compelled to enter into this transaction, for me to inflict a heavy penalty on the defendants. In my opinion it is a prosecution that ought to have been brought long ago.

"Another serious feature, and this is a statement under oath, but not on the depositions, that these arrangements were brought about by threatening the Chinamen to close their business unless they paid this money for the licenses.

"This is a species of blackmail and it should not be allowed to go forth. If the Chinese were illegally selling liquor, merely there is machinery enough to force the law and to punish them, instead of entering into a contract to avoid the law.

"I have no power to declare the licenses cancelled. There is a tribunal that can do so. Whatever we do in this case is not to be taken as a precedent, and if another case is brought up before me I would feel inclined to inflict the heaviest penalty.

"Still another feature in these cases which may nearly be as serious and that is that the revenue derived from this source sinks into insignificance when we consider the violation of law that has been committed.

"The way in which these applications are brought up to say the less suspicious. They are not signed by the individual parties, but by others, and if this is not forgery it comes pretty close to it, and from the evidence it seems that this transaction comes pretty close to a conspiracy.

"I think the ends of justice would be met, and upon the suggestion of counsel for the prosecution I convict these defendants, but allow them to go on suspended sentence."

"The men who were captured in the steamer Haifun, were released after a short time.

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St. Petersburg, April 6.—The second and fifth horse batteries of the artillery of the Guards, the former armed with quick-firing guns, leave for the front next week.

Duke Alexis, the high admiral, today reviewed six hundred naval recruits who will proceed at once to the Far East.

The city is full of rumors of proposed Japanese plans of attack. The most persistent is to the effect that the Japanese will land at Taku Shan (about 55 miles west of the mouth of the Yalu river), on Saturday night under cover of another bombardment of Port Arthur. "If they do," remarked a Russian admiral to the correspondent of the Associated Press, "they will find our guns shotted and ready to receive them."

Russia is building ten submarine boats at the Naval Works and Crichton Works, Vladivostok. The reports that they will be sent in sections to Port Arthur and Vladivostok are confirmed.

General Kurokawa's announcement that the Japanese have reached Wiju, Korea, on the east bank of the Yalu river, creates no surprise in well-informed circles, where it is thoroughly understood that the Russians have no intention of making a stand in force east of the river.

MAJOR SEELY RE-ELECTED.

London, April 6.—Major Seely (Independent) was elected without opposition yesterday to represent the Isle of Wight division of Hampshire in the House of Commons.

TACOMA ELECTIONS.

Tacoma, April 6.—The city elections resulted in a mixed victory. The Democrats elected George P. Wright mayor.

W. D. Scott, the commissioner of immigration, is in the city arranging to start work on the new hall. It will accommodate 1,000 people.

Seedling has started on ploughed land around Birtle.

The Liberal convention for Thunder Bay constituency is being held today.

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Second Day of The Convention

Visiting Teachers Were Entertained at Concert and Dance Last Evening.

Interesting Lecture by the Minister of Education at First Session.

Vancouver, April 6.—This evening the attending teachers were entertained at a public reception in Fender hall, which was elaborately illuminated and decorated. Music and dancing. No business was done this evening.

The following programme was carried out:

Section work—Held in Lord Roberts' school, except when otherwise specified, 10 a.m.

Junior grade—Held in Dawson school; 10 a.m. Eaton, M. A., chairman; Miss M. Macfarlane, secretary. "Language Lesson," Miss S. Blackwell; discussion opened by Miss Laura MacNair; Class work, "Reading," Miss M. Macfarlane; discussion opened by Miss Grace Ross; "Supplementary Reading."

Intermediate grade—W. P. Argue, B. A., chairman; Miss Ann Fraser, secretary. Geography, "The Suitability of the Present Earth, J. A. Conroy; discussion opened by F. W. Vaughan; "Literature," Miss Grace D. Jarvis, B. A.; discussion opened by W. McDonald.

Senior grade—D. Wilson, B. A., chairman; Miss E. Rogers, secretary. "Arithmetical," E. H. Murphy; discussion opened by J. D. Gillis; "Drawing as an Aid to Nature Study," Miss E. Macrae; discussion opened by J. T. Pollock.

High school section—W. Hunter, B. A., chairman; Miss G. S. Potts, B. A., secretary. "Geography," Miss E. Pritchard; "University," A. J. Pines, B. A.; discussion opened by H. M. Strauberg, B. A., "The Place of Commercial Work in a High School Curriculum," S. W. Matthews, M. A.; discussion opened by D. C. Little, B. A.

Manual training section—H. Dunnell, chairman; S. Northrop, secretary. "Development of Observation and Originality," S. Northrop; "The Use of Instruction Cards in the Workroom," W. H. Morris; "Notes from the Boards of the Inspector of Manual Training," H. Dunnell.

General session, 8 p.m.—Vocal solo, Miss Minnie Stewart; address, "Modern Methods," F. H. Eaton, M. A.; vocal solo, F. Waddington; "Aesthetic vs. Industrial Drawing in Public Schools" illustrated, D. Blair; instrumental selection, E. H. Russell.

At Tuesday's session, Mr. A. Robinson, superintendent of education, declared an addition to the voyages of Captain Vancouver. He had chosen this subject because Vancouver's voyages were so intimately mingled with the early history of the province, and yet so little was known about them. He showed how early discoveries on the Pacific coast were due to the efforts of mariners to discover the northwest passage. It was this that impelled Vancouver to search every inlet along the coast, with the hope of finding that it would prove to be the long-sought passage.

Mr. Robinson illustrated his lecture with several large maps, which traced, stage by stage, Vancouver's voyage down Puget sound and along Vancouver island. He showed how the islands and bays still bore the names of the navigator's companions, and Puget sound was itself named after Lieutenant Puget. He was followed with much interest as he tried to tell the story of the Fraser, and up through the first and second Narrows till, on a bright June day, he landed on the shores of Burrard inlet. The Indians at the mouth of the Capilano wondered where these white-skinned people came from, but treated them with perfect friendliness. Vancouver sailed up to the North Arm, but he gave up the attempt to penetrate further inland there, though afterwards he explored Howe sound and Jervis inlet in the same fruitless quest for a passage that would lead him out to Hudson bay.

At the close of his address Mr. Robinson received a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks.

Mrs. Kershaw-Thompson sang a solo and an encore in their usual style. Needless to say, the visitors did not fail to express their delight at her performance.

Miss Mills of Victoria, read a paper on "Art as a Means of Education." She spoke of the earnestness of children to copy out bright things and to scribble. She illustrated her subject by some very amusing sketches of progressive drawing by infants. She held that a child should be led up in drawing naturally, rather than being forced to trace out geometrical signs. A child asked to draw an engine would choose first the smoke and then the wheels, the things that gave it power and made it go. She put in an earnest plea for dealing kindly with the little ones during drawing. Mental drawing was valuable in its tendency to develop the power of reasoning. She exhibited a number of drawings by her pupils at their homes after school hours, and founded on words and proverbs. The trend of her remarks was generally opposed to the modes of teaching very much in vogue in this country, and was rather in favor of the school of Froebel Hegel.

The reading of Miss Mills' paper brought the afternoon session to a close. Before dispersing, however, the president announced a change in the programme. The teachers' reception was postponed till this evening, and in its place the session announced for to-night was held yesterday evening.

RAPID TRANSIT.

Czar Thinks Manager of Siberian Railroad for Good Work.

Special Cable to the London Times and Victoria Colonist.

St. Petersburg, April 6.—It is stated that the manager of the trans-Siberian railway has been personally thanked by the Czar for the rapid work of transporting the Russian forces to the Far East. It is stated that within a fortnight all of the men detailed for active service will be on their way to Manchuria.

BURLINGTON NEW BONDS.

Issue of Fourteen Millions Made to Fund Floating Debt.

New York, April 6.—Directors of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway have issued new bonds aggregating \$14,000,000, which will be used, according to the Herald to pay the floating debt and short-term obligations of the company incurred in making general improvements during the last two years. Part of the bonds also will be used for the purchase of equipment. The new issue will bear interest at 3½ per cent, and is understood to be secured by the Illinois divisional mortgage. This mortgage was made in 1899, and the total authorized issue of bonds secured by it aggregate \$85,000,000, of this amount \$41,000,000 already have been issued and bear interest at 3½ per cent. The bonds may be redeemed on any interest day after July 1, 1929, at par, accrued interest for all bonds bearing interest at less rate than 3½ per cent. The mortgage, subject to the 1903 consols, which were extended last summer, is practically the only mortgage upon all the lines of the Burlington system east of the Mississippi river, including the Chicago terminals. Arrangements have been made for the sale of the entire \$14,000,000 issue to bankers here.

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U. S. SENATOR IMPRISONED.

Alder of Get-rich-quick Frauds Goes to Jail for Six Months.

St. Louis, April 6.—Senator J. R. Burton, of Kansas, was today sentenced to six months' imprisonment in jail and a fine of \$2,500 for using his influence before the post office department in behalf of the Rialto Grain and Securities Co., of St. Louis, and for having received payment from the company for his services. Judge Adams first overruled a motion for a new trial and arrest of judgment.

The case will now be appealed to the United States district court of appeals, the highest tribunal in the nation.

Senator Burton, who is a senior senator from Kansas, was convicted after an exhaustive trial, in which various letters from him to the Rialto Guarantee and Securities Company, the checks which were received in payment for his services in behalf of the company before the post office department, and the testimony of numerous agents of the United States government were introduced. Senator Burton's defence was that he was acting merely in the capacity of an attorney, and did not employ his senatorial influence in the work.

ADMIRAL TOGO IS LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Extended Review of Situation By Naval Expert in London.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

London, April 7.—The naval expert of the London Times, in an extended review of the aspect of the present situation, expresses the belief that Admiral Togo will succeed eventually in attaining his object in blocking the entrance to Port Arthur harbor.

"When he does succeed," says the correspondent, "the Japanese cannot prevent the landing of Japanese troops on Manchuria or anywhere else while the Japanese fleet will be freed from the trying work of holding the harbor entrance, and will be available for service elsewhere. It can then return to its original base, and after refitting, proceed in search of the Vladivostok fleet."

BETTER THAN WAR NEWS.

New York, April 6.—A despatch to the World from Bedford, Mass., says Clark Ridley, who describes himself as "a miner" has announced he will give away all property before his death. He reached the conclusion that it is a disgrace to die rich, and thus far this week he has given away three houses and lots. Ridley owns six or seven houses and is reported to be worth \$16,000. The news of his action has spread and there was such a throng of people surrounding his home waiting to make application for his share of the property that police were required to keep the crowd away. Agents of local charitable societies were among the applicants for property from Ridley.

NEWS NOTES OF THE DOMINION

Premier Ross' Jolly to the Temperance People—Murder at Windsor.

SIGHTED TOGO'S FLEET.

Russian Cruiser Returns to Port Arthur, Having Lured Enemy.

YOUNG HUSBAND REPORTS.

Montreal, April 6.—Premier Ross has written a reply to the prohibition delegation that waited upon him the other day. He says he agrees with the views of the delegation, but understands that it does not favor any other form of temperance legislation such as amendments to the present license laws. It is considered if the government is able to give the legislation desired this session, it will be his duty to ascertain what may now be available for further action. The delegation will meet Monday to take action on the letter.

A. K. Fish, curator of the insolvent estate of Thomas May & Co., has entered action to set aside securities and liabilities taken by the Bank of Montreal from the firm, amounting to \$166,000, and he also attacks the assessments of book debts and open accounts made by the firm to the bank, amounting to about \$20,000 more. The plaintiff alleges that the securities were taken with a full knowledge of the insolvent condition of the firm.

BANK BURGLARIZED.

Flesherton, Ont., April 6.—Burglars yesterday morning broke into Mitchell's private bank and carried away \$2,200.

BRUTAL MURDER.

Windsor, Ont., April 6.—Mrs. Eliza J. Wilson was found lying on the kitchen floor of her home this morning by the police, her head fearfully crushed by many blows, apparently inflicted with a hammer.

After committing the crime the murderer calmly washed his hands, as traces of blood were found in the basin in the kitchen. The old woman lived alone and was reported to be worth considerable money, left by her husband, who has been dead for thirty years. It is believed that the murderer was committed some days ago. The police arrested Jonathan George, a neighbor tenant of the old woman, on suspicion of being implicated in the crime. George was once sentenced to be hanged, but was released on a deathbed confession of another man.

PEACE AND INDUSTRY.

General Cronje Says Great Majority of General Cronje Are Resonated and Happy.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 6.—General Cronje and 200 Boers accompanied by 120 British soldiers who saw service in the Boer war, 50 women and children and twenty Zulus, Kaffirs and Zambians arrived here today on the steamer Doune Castle from Capetown, via St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands. The burghers in the party were with Cronje at Paardeburg. General Viljoen and General Cronje at St. Louis. General Cronje in an interview on South African conditions said: "The spirit of peace and industry is strong all over the land. In all countries at the close of a war there are some dissatisfied spirits, but the great majority of people are reconciled and happy."

CHILDREN'S HOSE.

London, April 6.—Indian Secretary Brodrick received a despatch dated April 3 from Colonel Youngusband, the special agent with the British expedition to Tibet, in which the colonel says he expects to reach Lhasa, sixteen miles from Lhasa, the capital of Tibet within a week, and there meet the Chinese representatives and high Tibetan officials and make a settlement by which further bloodshed will be prevented.

SEAL OF FEATHER PILLOWS.

Expect to Approach Lhasa Within a Week and Arrange Troubles.

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Bow-wow Show In Full Swing

Philharmonic Hall is crowded with canine aristocrats of all sorts.

A list of the prize winners in judging up to last evening.

If any Victoria youngster yesterday said "Daddy wouldn't buy me a bow-wow," it was not because there were not "bow-wows" in plenty to be heard—for there were hundreds of them, as residents in the vicinity of Philharmonic Hall can testify to a certainty.

The dog show—the third annual event under the auspices of the Victoria Kennel Club, now in progress, is a success. That is the opinion not only of the public, but of the officers of the association. There were, however, not so many entries, stronger competition in the principal classes and so good a patronage on the part of the public.

The number of canines' exhibition exceeds last year's show by a total of about twelve dogs, while the quality is the best ever seen in this city.

Cocker spaniels head the list this year with 63, the largest entry of the show, and the greatest number ever bunched in Victoria. Colors are pretty evenly represented, there being about the same number of blacks, reds and parti-colors. The Portland cocker kennels are showing the New York winner Meppals Saxon. Mrs. Sharples, of Seattle, is showing the well-known parti-color Bullzums, besides several others. Against these will be pitted the best from the kennels of Messrs. Goodwin, Creighton, and Leitchfield.

English setters are the next largest class with 29 entries, completely eclipsing everything of recent years. These include nine dog puppies fourteen novices and seven limit and four open. In bitches there are six puppies, four limit, four open, with one in field trial class—a splendid entry indeed and a real compliment to the judge, John Davidson, who has had thirty years experience judging this breed.

The entry in fox terriers numbers 58, and while there are no excessively large classes, the quality is the very best that has ever been seen here, and would be a credit to the breed in the largest city in America.

Canaries have a banner entry of 25, with such well-known imported winners as Black Baby, Glen Tana Monk, Bo Peep and Ravenswood, valued at \$5,000. Gordon setters have a very good entry of 25, which is quite encouraging.

There are the Irish terriers with an entry of 12, and Scottish terriers with 13. The club is under a heavy debt to Mrs. K. J. Bradley Dye, for sending the majority of these entries.

The Irish setter class is good with 20 entries, and several new dogs from the outside to try conclusions with the club.

Bull terriers show a very gratifying increase with 20 entries.

Pointers, however, show a decrease from last season with only 12 entries.

Fox terriers are, as usual, largely represented. Although there are a number of outside dogs entered, the principal interest centres in the competition between canaries, as by G. Florence and Mrs. J. J. Bostock.

Probably the most marked improvement in this year's show over that of last spring is the wonderful increase in the strength of the collie class. The interest in the breed has increased to such an extent during the past twelve months that collies rank with the best classes. Local fanciers have entered a creditable number, and while several celebrated canines from Spokane and Portland are competing, among the latter are Raynwood, Woodman Ranger, Glenyle Meg and Glen Tam Sentinel. The former is valued at \$5,000 by his owner, A. Letts.

Following is the list of the successful competitors in the various classes as far as judged yesterday.

MASTIFFS.

Class 2—Novice Dogs. 1st, R. H. Whidden, Duncan, "Major." Class 3—Limit Dogs.

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1st, Geo. Browne, Victoria, "Rex." 2nd, Capt. Gardner, Victoria, "Argo." Class 7—Limit Dogs.

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1st, Geo. Browne, Victoria, "Rex." 2nd, W. P. Hall, Victoria, "His Highness." Class 11—Novice Bitches.

1st, C. W. Duck, Victoria, "Gemma." Class 12—Limit Bitches.

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Class 28—Open Dogs.

1st, Dr. G. L. Mine, Victoria, "Jeff." 2nd, Miss Victoria J. Wilson, Victoria, "Rob Roy."

ENGLISH SETTERS.

Class 33—Puppy Dogs.

1st, C. W. Minor, Victoria, "Roy's Last Montez."

2nd, Wm. W. Davies, Victoria, "Rockline Young Roy."

3rd, John Riplinger, Seattle, "Stylish Sergeant."

V. H. C. T. Dacy, Seattle, "Reno." Class 31—Novice Dogs.

1st, F. W. Schmiter, Victoria, "Rod of Furness."

2nd, E. D. Todd, Victoria, "Roy."

3rd, T. Astle, Beaumont, "Ventor."

Class 25—Limit Dogs.

1st, F. W. Schmiter, Victoria, "Rod of Furness."

2nd, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Terples James."

3rd, A. S. Robertson, Victoria, "Diana."

Major Ben."

Class 35—Open Dogs.

1st, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Count Rego."

2nd, John Riplinger, Seattle, "Stylish Sergeant."

3rd, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Terples James."

Class 38—Puppy Bitches.

1st, D. E. Campbell, Victoria, "Mollie G."

Class 39—Novice Bitches.

1st, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Farrelle."

2nd, R. M. Palmer, Seattle, "Dolly Redfield."

3rd, W. H. Hart, Victoria, "Victoria Dell."

Class 40—Limit Bitches.

1st, C. W. Minor, Victoria, "Zola Montez."

2nd, John Riplinger, Seattle, "Ch. Elforee."

3rd, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Ch. Albert's Rosalind."

Class 41—Open Bitches.

1st, C. W. Minor, Victoria, "Zola Montez."

2nd, John Riplinger, Seattle, "Ch. Elforee."

3rd, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Count Rego."

Class 42—Winners Dogs.

1st, T. P. McConnell, Victoria, "Count Rego."

2nd, John Riplinger, Seattle, "Stylish Sergeant."

3rd, C. W. Minor, Victoria, "Zola Montez."

Field Trial Class.

1st, Wm. W. Davies, Victoria, "Roy's Lady."

IRISH SETTERS.

Class 43—Puppy Dogs.

1st, O. E. Mauer, Seattle, "Don."

Class 44—Novice Dogs.

1st, A. Fairfull, Victoria, "Mickey Green."

2nd, F. G. Maynard, Victoria, "Doe."

3rd, A. Fairfull, Victoria, "Mickey Green."

4th, J. Wulffson, Vancouver, "Jeanett."

5th, Geo. Jay, Victoria, "Mike."

Class 46—Open Dogs.

1st, A. Fairfull, Victoria, "Mickey Green."

2nd, W. H. Peter, Maywood, "Girle."

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Class 50—Limit Bitches.

1st, J. McInerney, Victoria, "Hattie Kitty."

2nd, W. H. Peter, Maywood, "Girle."

3rd, S. Creech, Victoria, "Nellie."

Class 51—Open Bitches.

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GORDON SETTERS.

Class 53—Puppy Dogs.

1st, S. W. Bodley, Duncan, "Belmont."

2nd, S. W. Bodley, Duncan, "Trisk."

3rd, S. W. Bodley, Duncan, "Grouse."

Class 54—Novice Dogs.

1st, H. A. Porter, Victoria, "Robin."

2nd, A. C. Roberts, Victoria, "Bruce."

3rd, A. Wood, Victoria, "Jerry."

Class 55—Limit Dogs.

1st, W. W. Winsby, Victoria, "Don."

2nd, R. Porter, Victoria, "Sport."

3rd, S. W. Bodley, Duncan, "Belmont."

Class 56—Open Dogs.

1st, W. W. Winsby, Victoria, "Don."

2nd, C. D. Isbister, Esquimalt, "Jerry."

3rd, R. Porter, Victoria, "Sport."

Class 59—Novice Bitches.

1st, H. W. Dickey, Duncan, "Queene."

2nd, F. C. Smith, Victoria, "Countess Bell."

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Winners Dogs.

1st, W. W. Winsby, Victoria, "Don."

2nd, R. Porter, Victoria, "Robin."

3rd, H. W. Dickey, Duncan, "Queene."

POINTERS.

Class 65—Limit Dogs.

1st, F. J. Moore, Saanen, "Woolton Banz."

2nd, E. S. Wilband, Vancouver, "Oregon."

3rd, H. F. Zeigler, The Dalles, Ch. "Minnesota Joe."

Class 66—Open Dogs.

1st, F. J. Moore, Saanen, "Woolton Banz."

2nd, E. S. Wilband, Vancouver, "Oregon."

3rd, H. F. Zeigler, The Dalles, Ch. "Minnesota Joe."

ENTERTAINED WAIFS.

1st, J. C. Scott, Walla Walla, "Scott's Dot."

2nd, J. M. Langley, Victoria, "Chicago Bess."

3rd, T. C. Smith, Victoria, "Countess Bell."

Winners Dogs.

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3rd, T. C. Smith, Victoria, "Countess Bell."

Judging is expected to be completed on Friday morning.

DECLARATIONS OF NEUTRALITY.

Under the above caption the Danish

car, Carl Dwald, publishes in the "Politician" of Copenhagen, the following little sketch:

The Lord stood at the Throne of the Russian war. When he had finished the

Russian angel fell on his knees, wringing his hands.

"Lord, I am the Russian," said the

Russian angel, "I am the Russian."

"Lord, I am the German," said the

German angel, "I am the German."

"Lord, I am the French," said the

French angel, "I am the French."

"Lord, I am the English," said the

English angel, "I am the English."

"Lord, I am the American," said the

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THE ANGLO-FRENCH TREATY.

The negotiations between the British and French Governments with a view to the settlement of many outstanding questions connected with the various Colonial possessions of the two Powers, seem to be approaching a satisfactory conclusion. These negotiations are the outcome of the friendly feeling now happily existing between the two nations—a result to which King Edward has contributed not a little to bring about. His visit to France some few months ago was the first step towards the entente now established between the two great Western countries of Europe and the return visit of President Loubet to England increased the solidarity of the friendly relations. Then came the agreement to refer questions in controversy between the two countries to arbitration when it was found impossible in any particular case to settle them by the ordinary resources of diplomacy. Now we have this treaty dealing with a number of matters that in the past have, on different occasions, caused considerable irritation, and at the same time been productive of injury to the material interests of one country or the other. To gather up these various questions and dispose of them by means of one treaty has caused these negotiations to be set on foot, and recent despatches from London and Paris indicate that little more remains now to be done than to sign the treaty and exchange the formal ratifications of it. It may be regarded as a most successful diplomatic accomplishment, comprising as it does a settlement of many questions, some of them of long standing and which have hitherto been found impossible of adjustment from one cause or another. The part which the King has taken in the negotiations has been no unimportant one, not the least valuable detail in it being the effect which his tact and great experience in international affairs had in bringing the executives of the two countries into touch so that the preliminary pour parlers rapidly led to the formal negotiations being entered on in a way that enabled both the parties to them to deal with the matters in dispute in a conciliatory spirit. Both Governments and people have now travelled a long way from the position which they occupied when the Fashoda incident threatened grave disaster.

To Canadians the matter of most interest in these negotiations undoubtedly is the solution of the controversy over what is commonly known as the French shore question in Newfoundland. For more than a generation the claims of the French fishermen, based on the interpretation attempted to be put by the French authorities on the terms of the Treaty of Utrecht, have been a source of local irritation in Newfoundland. During the last few years this irritation has been increasing, and there has been a growing feeling in the Island that something had to be done to bring the matter to an issue. The Colonial Legislature has more than once pressed the matter on the attention of the Colonial Office. But hitherto the representations by the British Foreign Office to the French Government have failed to secure a satisfactory solution of the question. The Newfoundland fisheries were regarded as an excellent training school for the sailors of the French Navy. In the French shore and the two islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon were comprised the sole remnants of the great colonial empire that France once possessed on this continent, and French pride was touched at any suggestion that any concession should be made. Now, however, the difficulties seem to be overcome. The matter has been approached on both sides with a desire to reach a settlement, and terms have been made on which France will surrender any claims to sovereignty over the "French shore," Great Britain paying an indemnity for such concession, which will also include compensation to the owners of private property located on the shore. It is understood that the amount of such indemnity will be submitted to The Hague Tribunal for decision.

In the same treaty the question of the interests of the various powers in Morocco is also dealt with. Great Britain has no desire to acquire territory in North Africa. All she desires is such arrangement as will protect the trade which she has there. Both France and Spain already have considerable possessions there and a means will be found of adjusting their claims and providing for the political future of the Moroccan empire. Although France has not been very successful in her colonies there is not much doubt that her possession of Algeria will lead to her becoming the dominant power in North Africa on the littoral of the Mediterranean Sea with the indirect result of disappointing the desires of more than one European government to secure at least a naval station on that coast. Egypt also appears to come within the scope of this important treaty. The soreness engendered in France when it was found that her hasty abandonment of her position in the dual occupation of that country had left Great Britain mistress of the situ-

ation, has finally passed away. On all sides the great work that British administrations have done for Egypt is recognized and the original intention of a more temporary occupation of the country was long ago abandoned. The most rabid "Little Englander" would never think now of suggesting that England should "scuttle out of Egypt," and the mere reference to a phrase that once represented the deliberate policy of Gladstone shows how great is the period that has elapsed in the British foreign policy since the eighties. But although France has relinquished any intention of interfering with the British occupation of Egypt, the international agreement under which the Egyptian debt has been administered has continued in force. This has led to inconvenience and has placed obstacles in the management of the Egyptian finances by Lord Cromer. Now France will withdraw from what has been little more than a technical share in the administration of the debt—although one that has been very inconvenient and on occasions very annoying—and Great Britain will make some rectifications of the boundary between the two countries' territories that will give France improved facilities to reach certain points in her Central African possessions.

AN EXTRAORDINARY REVELATION.

The manner in which the city authorities granted liquor licenses to Chinese dealers as disclosed yesterday in the Police Court, is certainly one of the most extraordinary disclosures that has ever been made in that tribunal. Briefly stated, the transaction revealed yesterday was as follows: The civic authorities finding that liquor was being sold by Chinese dealers without a license desired to put an end to a state of things which not only was a violation of the law but a cause of loss of revenue to the city. The latter fact seems to have impressed the civic mind as a more serious matter than the infraction of the law. It was accordingly decided to make an arrangement with these Chinese dealers whereby they would be permitted to continue the traffic under certain conditions. What purported to be four licenses to sell liquor by wholesale were granted, not actually to four individuals but to a number of Chinese representing what was designated as "boards of trade." Under cover of these fictitious licenses the Chinese appear to have done a brisk trade, any restriction as regards only a wholesale trade being done under them having been entirely ignored with, as it would seem from the evidence given yesterday, the knowledge of some at least of the civic authorities. Practically, as the Police Magistrate said yesterday, the whole transaction was "pretty close to a conspiracy," the main object of which was to secure a paltry few hundred dollars for the City Treasury.

The whole affair is such an extraordinary one that but for the facts being sworn to and admitted to be true by the civic officials themselves, it would seem to be incredible. The law on the matter was deliberately violated, both in the spirit and the letter, and for the purpose of securing a little revenue and all its provisions were "set aside and treated as of no effect," to quote the Magistrate's words. It is admittedly difficult to make the Chinese comply strictly with laws intended to be observed by all the community, without distinction of class or race. But what must be the effect on the Oriental mind when it is found that those in authority are prepared to disregard the law and by unlawful concessions bribe a man to pay a portion of the tax which he is alleged to have previously failed to pay?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE PROPOSITION TO RESTORE. Sir—Until the public shall have been made acquainted with the details of the proposition it would be idle to discuss the merits or demerits of the scheme to take over the Island railway, with the timber, mineral and other lands in the belt, we have not been so far as yet able to do so. A husband and three daughters sit, weep, her, Mrs. Dalmage, Vancouver; Mrs. Mills of this city, and Misses Nora and Plossie, who reside at home. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon and was largely attended. —Greenwood Times.

Another accident happened on the C. P. east of here last Sunday morning, by which one of the crew, Davison, a brakeman, lost his life, and Bodwell, the foreman, was severely injured, losing one leg, and sustaining injuries that may even yet prove fatal. The train was a west bound freight, under the charge of Conductor Penzance, and when near Lake Louise, at 3 a.m., the engine crashed into a rock side, causing a general smash up and tended with fatal results as stated above. Kamloops Sentinel.

North Carolina has lost a hundred thousand workers from the fields," says D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, and suggests curtailing the tide of European immigration to the South. But the suggestion of Mr. Tompkins has no echo among the planters. They see the short and easy solution of the problem in the Atherton Constitution: "If it were possible for us in the South to secure Chinese labor for our fields we would, through our cotton and other money crops, bring into the South at least ten dollars for every one that comes to us under the present conditions. Experience has shown that the Chinese are the most thrifty workers in the family of the globe." The late Mr. Latimer, whose name is mentioned in the hub of his argument: "The present immigration laws, so far as they relate to Asiatics, have been made at the dictation of politicians on the Pacific slope. Whether we will ever be able to secure their repeal it is impossible to say. They should be repealed in the interest of the development of the agricultural resources of the entire country." —S. F. Argonaut.

The Crown would not part with the right to increase the royalty on coal and a largely increased revenue from that source, and from the restored lands as they are acquired by companies or individuals, and the profit from operating the railway would surely more than make the government for its increased responsibility, pay more in making the bargain. In face of the improved condition of provincial affairs and the rapid return of confidence in the richness and permanency of the country's resources, there should be little trouble in finding a syndicate that would take over the railway at the figure paid for both railway and lands, leaving the government with the virgin tracts and lands to be disposed of. The "it is hard to kick against the pricks," as St. Paul found. The advantage is with the railway company and what they have will hold in spite of adverse legislation and forcible platform speeches. The grant should never have been made, but being made it remains for the government and legislature to see that they cannot be paid off in a manner that will neutralize the evils of the public and restore the great estate to the public.

The matter is one of terms; and I submit that as little delay as possible should

occur in getting those terms into shape for presentation to the House. In saying this I have no wish to embarrass the government or injure them in any way. I believe that the country desires that an intelligent effort, at least, should be made to bring about a settlement of the vexed question and lift the embargo from the Island lands. So believing I have ventured to address you. D. W. H.

ELECTRICITY OR GAS.

Sir—I observe an increase of power for electric lighting is afoot before the City Council. I think our neighbors will do well to consider the merits of gas for the central part of the town. For cheapness and convenience there is no doubt at all that this light is better than our present are lights. Gas light is a waste of gas, and is not diffused in lighting the sky, and out into the fields, so much so that my cow always gets too fat because it cannot see when to go to sleep.

In English towns when they go into the question of cost very minutely, and when the town owns the gas works and the electric plant, they have found gas much more expensive. It is some time since towns is not much more than half what it costs here. In reckoning the price of gas, the Welsbach burners reduces the quantity of gas consumed to about a fifth of what it was when we turned out the gas and took to are lights. At the wide intervals these are placed the chief good you get is a sort of assurance that there is light somewhere. You may not know it only in the sky, and it is a comfort I don't deny. We may soon do away with horses. But it distresses both the horses and the drivers the dark shadows the electric light throws. There is something in the nature of electricity that you cannot deflect the light as you can deflect gas light or oil lamp light.

Our rates are creeping up, and I am sure the mayor and the council will see they are to promote efficiency and economy. It would be fine to have our central streets as well lighted as any of our old English towns, and the cost of extra power would do this for many a year if spent on gas. Many of our fellow-citizens have never seen a well-lighted street.

I have no authority to write this letter as Mr. Goward has. I do not even know if Mr. Thomson will approve. I think, however, I have a good case to submit to the Council.

F. ANGUS.

PROVINCIAL PRESS.

The unfortunate and pitiable condition of this respected rancher near Princeton, who recently returned from the hospital for the insane at New Westminster, suggests the retention of the patient there not only on humane grounds but for the sake of economy. Travelling expenses, special attendants, medical expenses and legal service, proportional items of cost. While the patient is not violent or dangerous yet he is a menace to his own life while wandering about. —Simplician Star.

The Liberal-Conservatives of Greenwood opened a campaign there Wednesday evening with a meeting in the auditorium, which was addressed by Martin Burrell, the Liberal-Conservative candidate for Yale, and other speakers. Mr. Burrell, who is also a candidate for the provincial election, met Mr. Burrell at this gathering and an invitation to that effect was sent to Mr. Ross, who declined. The attendance was large.

At last the government auditor has appeared on the scene to audit the accounts of the Ymir Hospital—that institution which the provincial government and the Federation of Miners claims as peculiarly its own. From time to time we have called attention to what, on the face of them, appeared to be a difficult array of figures to reconcile with facts. These figures we were obliged to get from the government offices at Victoria, as the hospital board of directors positively refused to give any information as to what we were to do with the man, in ruling it from all sources, ostensibly for the purpose of public support. In this action they professed to have been acting under instructions from the Miners' Union.—Ymir Miners' Star.

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wieldy grand moustache.Rivers turn and flee before him at the
snapping of his lash.Forest trees are seared and blasted and
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Local News.

Dominion Lodge.—This evening members of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, L. O. F., will meet at 7:30 sharp. A large attendance is desired, as work in the first degree will occupy their attention.

Adjusting Claim.—The attorney-general's department is now going into the question of the claims presented by the commissioners who enquired into the Government House contract, and it is believed that a settlement will soon be arrived at.

The Mayor Also.—The name of His Worship Mayor Barnard was, in the report of the council meeting on Tuesday evening, inadvertently omitted from the mention of those who voted for Ald. Vincent's motion respecting the Victoria & Sidney railway.

F. Y. M. A. Entertainment.—This evening an entertainment will be held at the Fernwood hall, Spring Ridge, under the auspices of the F. Y. M. A. An excellent programme has been prepared, including several athletic exhibitions, besides musical selections. All who attend are assured a pleasant evening.

Testing the Bridge.—This morning at 9:30 the new Point Ellice bridge will be given a test as to its structural strength by the tramway company. Three large flat cars owned by the E. & N. Railway Company, loaded with thirty tons of steel rails, will be run onto the bridge, and the operation keenly watched by the city engineer and tramway officials. No doubt is felt that the test will prove satisfactory and an improved train service to Esquimalt will be given almost immediately.

Wireless Station Here.—Capt. Tasier, of the United States revenue cutter Grant, announces that a wireless telegraph system is to be introduced into Victoria by the United States treasury department. Experiments tried in port yesterday morning by the officers of the United States cutter Grant proved highly satisfactory. Communication was obtained with Port Townsend by Captain Tasier, and messages were received and sent with facility. Weather conditions do not play the same part with the new system that they do with the cable or telegraph.

Anticipate Light Pack.—On the sound the salmon pack this year, in the opinion of the men who know most about the salmon industry, will be exceptionally light. The year is the last of the salmon cycle of four years. It has been observed that since the white male first came to Puget sound there has been regular rotation in the salmon runs, extending over a period of four years, running usually in over production and waste of fish. The third year is a short year, run being small. The third year is usually the best of the four to the packer.

Law Exams.—Yesterday the result of the March law examinations were announced. F. C. Wade, formerly of Dawson and V. Lausen of Vancouver, were formerly called and admitted to the bar in the capacities of barristers and solicitors. W. W. Sodergren, who was previously called as a barrister, was admitted as a solicitor. All three were formally introduced by G. E. Peoley, K. C. In the preparatory examination the following passed: Second Intermediate—Gordon M. Grant, Victoria; First Intermediate—H. C. Shandley, Victoria; W. F. Hansford, Nelson; G. Taschereau, Vancouver; and W. C. Barton, New Westminster.

Offices at Bellingham.—The Pacific Packing & Navigation Company will open offices at Bellingham and direct the operation of its Puget sound canneries this season from that point. The general offices of the company, however, will remain in Seattle, which has always been the headquarters of the corporation. On the sound the Alaska Packers' Association, of San Francisco, owns two canneries, one at Anacortes and another at Point Roberts. Only the former will be operated this year. The company expended \$250,000 in repairs and alterations in the plant last year. The association owns three canneries in southeastern Alaska, at Wrangell, Loring and Chilcotin, and twelve or fifteen on Bristol bay.

Machinists on Strike.—Efforts have been made to get local machinists to go to Vancouver. One hundred and fifty men are on strike at the Vancouver Engineering Works. While it is not certain that the strike will spread to other concerns in the city, labor leaders and employers are watching very closely developments. It is alleged that the employers have tried to obtain men from Seattle and Everett to take the places of the strikers. Mr. Jackson, as manager of the works, was charged in the Police court under the alien labor law and the case is still hanging fire. When the cases came into court pleas of not guilty were entered and enlargements made until April 7. In the meantime suits for damages were started in the civil courts against the same parties. The unions declare they have plenty of money and are going to carry the cases to the limit.

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Bank Clearings.—The total bank clearings, as reported by the Victoria clearing house, for the week ending April 5th, were \$307,570.

Lumber for St. Louis.—A carload of British Columbia cedar, loaded in sections, is lying in the C. P. R. yard at Vancouver and will be shipped to the St. Louis exhibition in a few days.

Go to New Westminster.—Mayor Barnard and Aldermen Fell, Beckwith and Stewart leave on the Charmer tomorrow morning for New Westminster to represent the local Agricultural Association at the special general meeting of the Royal Agricultural Society tomorrow evening.

King's Daughters.—An excellent programme has been arranged for the meeting on Friday afternoon of the ministering circle of King's Daughters at the residence of Mrs. A. Stuart Robertson, St. George street. Members are asked to attend at 3 o'clock promptly, if possible.

May Locate Here.—It is likely that P. C. Wade, formerly crown prosecutor in Dawson, will locate in this city. Mr. Wade has taken the necessary examinations and was admitted to the bar of the province yesterday. He will go east to Winnipeg on a short visit before resuming practice.

Last Rites.—Yesterday afternoon the funeral of the late Mrs. Samuell took place from the residence of Mr. Nelson, Niagara street, James Bay. Rev. Mr. Connor conducted the services. Beautiful floral emblems were presented and the pallbearers included Dr. Lefevre, Messrs. W. Front, J. H. Hodge, R. Bret, A. McKeown, J. W. Fullerton and Mr. Chantom.

Farmers' Meetings.—W. J. Brandt, secretary of the Provincial Farmers' Institute, is up the line to attend a series of important meetings of the Nanaimo and Cedar Farmers' Institute this week. One was held Tuesday evening at Harewood, addressed by Mr. T. Cunningham, inspector of fruit pests, and Mr. J. T. Collins, of Salt Spring island.

A Pretty Wedding.—A very pretty wedding took place last evening at the home of Mr. John Findlay, 66 North Pembroke street, when Capt. Stanley Fraser of the Edna Grace was united in marriage to Miss Altha B., second daughter of Mr. Finlay. After the service by Rev. Joseph McCoy, M. A., the party sat down to a sumptuous supper, after which the happy couple departed with the best wishes of a large circle of friends.

Nanaimo Fisheries, Limited.—Jervis & Co. have just forwarded to upper country ports large shipments of Nanaimo salt herring from stock. This is only a minor example of the command of the market which the firm has obtained by offering and making known the good article it has to sell. The shares of the Nanaimo Fisheries, Limited, the company formed to take over and extend the enterprise, are being very favorably discussed by Nanaimo investors, and there is every likelihood that the amount required will be subscribed.

Asylum Statistics.—Following are given the figures of the number of patients treated at the hospital for the insane during the past month: In hospital, males, 277; females, 84; total, 361. Received during month, males, 6; females, 1; total, 7. Returned from probation, females, total, 1. Discharged on account of insanity, males, 3; total, 3. Permitted leave on probation, males, 4; total, 4. Died, males, 2; total, 2. Escaped, males, 1; total 1. In hospital, males, 276; females, 86; total, 362. On probation, males, 10; females, 7; total, 17. Total under treatment, males, 286; females, 93; total, 379.

Gun Club.—Fourteen new members joined the Victoria Gun Club at the last meeting. Preparations for the shoot for the club trophy, to be held on the 9th inst., at Langford Plains, were discussed, and it was decided that shooting should commence at 10 o'clock promptly, putting up the targets for competition for prizes put up by members would be allowed. About 25 or 30 competitors will probably take part in the club match and a close finish is anticipated. W. F. Adams is the present holder of the cup, having captured it by a good margin at the last shoot. Visitors will be made welcome by members of the association at their clubhouse on the grounds.

New Tram Brake.—The large cars on the Victoria tram lines are shortly to have a new device which will do away with the disagreeable jolting caused by flat wheels. The new brake, instead of acting on the surface of the wheels, engages with the rail itself and exerts a powerful retarding action. The brake shoe is placed between the two wheels of the trucks, and is applied by powerful pressure exerted in the usual manner by a ratchet lever. When the brakes are put on by the motorman, four brake shoes are forced down on the track, and, if applied hard enough, raise the car a fraction of an inch off the wheels. One of the strong points of this brake is that it is equally efficient in the case of a wet and slippery rail.

St. Barnabas Bazaar.—The bazaar to be held in the new St. Barnabas Sunday school on the 12th inst., promises to be an interesting event. It is under the auspices of the Sunday school teachers and helpers of the church. Admission to the bazaar will be free, a charge of ten cents being made after 6 p.m. There will be numerous stalls, among which will be found fancy and plain needlework. There will be stalls entirely made up of handicrafts of all sorts and sizes. The Junior Wm. H. Adams Sporting Goods Store, 104 Government street, will inspect the stock of flies direct from Scotland. Everything new and prices right.

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Liberals to Meet.—A meeting of the Victoria Liberal Association will be held in Pioneer hall on Monday evening next for the nomination of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business.

C. P. R. Change.—A change has just been made in the medical department of the C. P. R. on the Pacific division. Dr. Lefevre, who has held the office since construction days, has been succeeded by Dr. O. Weld, who, until the change, was in partnership with Dr. Lefevre, and is thus well-known to C. P. R. men. He will have charge from Vancouver to North Bend, and has appointed Dr. A. J. Stuart, of Mission, as his assistant on the main line, and Dr. R. E. Walker, of New Westminster, on the New Westminster branch.

The new management of the Westside is going to make things hum on Friday by the look of their advertisement today, and if prices attract, as they are given credit for doing, this popular store will do a phenomenal business on Friday, as the public are always sure of the Westside's Bargains being exactly "as advertised."

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On Friday next, April 8th, at 2 p.m., the splendidly located nursery and stock in trade of the late Wm. Dodds, nurseryman and gardener of Fort street, will be sold by public auction by W. Jones, auctioneer. It will be put up en bloc, failing to effect anything like an adequate figure than the whole will be sold out piecemeal, which will afford an excellent opportunity to all desirous of obtaining anything in flowers, plants, bulbs, etc. Remember the date and place.

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The Big Reduction Sale at the People's Store, 88½ Douglas street, continues, and is attracting the attention of many purchasers. The goods are all marked away down.

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Natural History
Society MeetsAnnual Re-Unon of Members
Held Last Night and
Officers Elected.Interesting Address By the Pres-
ident—Proposal For a
Fannin Memorial.

The annual meeting of the Natural History Society Tuesday evening was largely attended and disposed of a large volume of business.

The presidential address by Dr. Hasel, retiring president, was a most interesting resume of the work of the society and the founding and development of the Provincial Museum. Incidentally he paid a very high tribute to the late curator, Mr. John Fannin, who was retired through serious illness. In this connection Mr. Fannin's many friends will be pleased to know that the society has undertaken the promotion of a Canadian memorial which it is hoped will be made public in a few days, but in brief, it is proposed to do either one or both of two things—to place a life-sized portrait of Mr. Fannin on the walls of the museum and to establish an annual series of John Fannin prizes for competition in the public schools of the province on subjects of local natural history. The exact nature of the memorial will largely depend on the amount of subscriptions to be forthcoming.

The reports of the executive committee and librarian and curator were read and received. The following are extracts from the report of the executive committee: "The work of the society for the year just ended has been of an important character and affords evidence of gratifying activity and steadily increasing interest." "Although the addition to the membership is not large—only four in all—there is only one resignation to report." "There was an interregnum of three months during which no meetings were held. Notwithstanding that fact, the record of meetings, attendance, and papers read will compare favorably with former years."

"Twenty-one meetings took place with an average attendance of fifteen, not including visitors." "Of papers read and addresses delivered there were nineteen, a list of which is appended; and of these a number were of unusual interest and value. It is to be regretted that their publication in some form among the printed proceedings has not been possible."

"One very important step was taken during the year. Reference is made to incorporation; and in this connection an effort should be made to secure the signatures of all the members to the con-

THE LIFEBOAT
REPORT ADOPTEDPublic Meeting Held Last Evening
Endorses Suggestions
of Committee.

Last evening at the City hall the public meeting called by his worship the mayor to hear the report of the organizing committee appointed at the public meeting held on the 26th January last to thoroughly investigate the advisability of forming a Lifeboat Association for this city was held and the matter discussed.

His worship occupied the chair, and there were present: Bishop Perrin, Archbishop Orth, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Capt. Troupe, Capt. Royds, H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., Ald. Thornton Fell and quite few others.

The honorary secretary, Mr. Joseph Peison, read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were adopted as read. Mr. Peison read the report of the committee appointed last January to proceed with the organization of a Lifeboat Association.

Capt. Troupe moved the adoption of the report as read; H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., seconded, and the motion carried without discussion.

Rev. W. Leslie Clay moved that the provisional committee already appointed continue to act and proceed with all necessary steps toward the incorporation of the association.

Bishop Perrin, commenting on the report, referred to the \$80,000 appropriation, and said that he thought this made it unnecessary to purchase a steam lifeboat, as the new tender could be used as a tug for a lifeboat of the ordinary type. A properly organized crew should be obtained; a scratch crew would be useless. He thought the action of the Dominion government was largely influenced by the action of the committee.

Capt. Troupe explained that at Victoria the lifeboat proposition here was vastly different from that at ordinary ports, where surf beaches had to be contend against. If a lifeboat was ever needed, in all probability it would be many miles away, and with such tides as had to be provided against in those waters. The matter of a crew was also a serious matter, and a steam lifeboat would not be more expensive than an ordinary boat. Of course, it was a matter of securing suitable rooms as a permanent and exclusive abode of the society.

It has also been suggested that arrangements should be begun at an early date for the holding of a conversazione next fall or winter, and that if possible the conversazione should be made an annual event."

The following officers were elected:

President, Capt. J. Walbran; first vice-president, E. F. Robinson; second vice-president, J. R. Anderson; secretary, R. E. Gosnell; treasurer, A. A. Crease; curator and librarian, F. Sylvester; executive committee, Dr. E. S. Hasel, Dr. Newcombe, A. A. Crease, R. E. Gosnell, F. N. Denison, E. F. Robinson, F. Sylvester, Capt. Walbran, E. F. Robinson, and R. E. Gosnell.

Owing to the amount of business arising out of the reports to be transacted, an adjournment was made at 11 p. m. until the next regular session, when the business of the annual meeting will be continued.

The meeting then adjourned.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, April 6—8 p. m. SYNOPSIS.

An important Mining belt area now centred off Vancouver Island is slowly spreading towards the interior. It is causing generally fair weather over the Pacific Slope from Northern British Columbia to California. The weather remains mild in Kootenay and in Alberta, while in Manitoba the temperature is still below freezing. Between these districts snow is falling.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	40	49
New Westminster	36	48
Kamloops	38	45
Barkerville	30	34
Port Simpson	32	42
Dawson	10	40
Calgary	30	42
Winnipeg	14	28
Portland	36	52
San Francisco	50	64

FORECAST.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6.

Deg. 5 a.m. 41 Mean. 45

Noon. 45 Highest. 49

5 p.m. 48 Lowest. 40

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. 16 miles southwest.

Noon. 10 miles southwest.

5 p.m. 14 miles southwest.

Average state of weather—Fair.

Rain. 0.2 in.

Sunshine. 6 hours 21 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Observed. 30.436

Corrected. 30.455

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected. 30.42

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 30th March to 5th April, 1904.

The weather during this week has been for the most part fair and somewhat mild, not on Vancouver Island and the Mainland.

The amount of light rain and drizzle reported here was 50 hours, which is a daily average of 7 hours.

The only rain recorded here occurred during the night of the 4th and morning of the 5th, on the Lower Mainland rain fell on the 3rd, 4th and 5th. Snow to the amount of three inches fell at Barkerville on the 30th and one inch on the 3rd. In Kootenay no precipitation was reported. The cause of the generally fair weather is the influence of the prevailing westerly winds, which are due to the almost entire absence of ocean low barometer areas, and marked prevalence of high barometric pressure over the North Pacific coast.

The only storm of importance occurred on the Washington coast on Monday the 4th, and as the centre of this disturbance spread eastwards across Vancouver Island fresh to high westerly winds occurred on the Strait of Juan de Fuca for a few hours.

Dr. Stimpson reported several days ago that upon the other considerable rain and some snow fell at Barkerville in Cariboo four inches of snow fell upon two days.

At Dawson the temperature is gradually rising, the average daily highest temperature was 32 and the daily average lowest was 10.

The influence of Chinook winds in Alberta is causing the snow on the ground to disappear rapidly and in eastern portion of the Rockies and Mainland the temperature are slowly rising to or above 32 degrees and seeding is expected to begin in Southern Manitoba early next week.

Victoria—Amount of bright sunshine recorded was 50 hours; rain, .45 inch; highest temperature 63 on the 1st; lowest, 40 on 3rd.

New Westminster—Rainfall, .59 inch; highest temperature 68 on 1st; lowest, 30 on 31st, 1st and 4th.

Kamloops—No rain or snow; highest temperature 62 on 2nd; lowest 30 on 31st.

Barkerville—Show four inches; highest temperature 44 on 1st and 2nd; lowest 34 on 5th.

Port Simpson—Rain and snow, 2.52 inches; highest temperature 59 on 1st and 4th; lowest, 30 on 3rd.

Dawson—Snow 4.2 inches; highest temperature, 44 on 4th and 5th; lowest, zero on 4th.

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ON THE VERGE OF HOSTILITIES

The desire of Russia to get its Black Sea fleet through the Dardanelles recalls the fact that the British fleet passed through the Dardanelles on one occasion and the act brought England and Russia to the verge of hostilities. It was in 1878 that Russia declared war against Turkey in consequence of the Bulgarian massacre. The Russians pressed forward to the very suburbs of Constantinople and in order to prevent the capture of that city the British fleet passed through the Dardanelles notwithstanding all the treaties. Of course, in Canada everyone is at liberty to use Dardanelles Turkish cigarettes, and whether they have cork, silver or plain tips will not affect the Eastern question.

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GILES—Congress could settle this woman's suffrage business in short order if it was to go about it in the right way. Miles—How? Giles—By enacting a law compelling women to vote. Then they wouldn't want to—Chicago News.

"He has whipped me three times," said the Boston boy. "And now what do you intend to do?" the sympathetic neighbor inquired. "I have proposed that we submit our difference to arbitration," the Boston boy replied. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Postmaster—Yes, sir, and that married Mrs. Peison again with me in one eye and flitting with Zeke Crossby's hired man with the other. Farmer Ryton—Do tell! I swan, these post office scandals are getting worse every day. —Philadelphia Telegraph.

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer and Collector, City Treasurer and Collector's Office, City Hall, Victoria, B. C.

An extension of the time by which petitions of appeal as above may be received until the 25th day of April, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. KENT, Treasurer and Collector.

Dissolution of Partnership

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned as traders and retail grocers, carrying on business at the corner of Douglas and Yates streets, Victoria, B. C., under the name and style of Mowat & Wallace, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

The business will be continued at the old stand by Mr. Robert Mowat, to whom all stock-in-trade, book-debt and partnership effects have been assigned, and who has assumed and will carry all partnership liabilities.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., 31st March, 1904.

Witness: F. B. GREGORY.

ROBT. MOWAT
WILLIAM O. WALLACE

CARD OF THANKS

Having retired from the firm of Mowat & Wallace, grocers, corner Douglas and Yates streets, Victoria, B. C., I desire to extend my thanks to the numerous customers and patrons of the late firm for their loyal support, and to solicit their continued patronage for my successor, Mr. Robert Mowat.

WILLIAM O. WALLACE

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, April 6.—There was breadth and variety again in the stock market today, and some evidence of growing outside interest. The larger part of trading, however, was still in the hands of personal operators, and the early activity was not well maintained.

Much of the trading was of the United States Steel Corporation and the opinions held on the showing played an important part in the whole market. The wide opening in United States Steel preferred on the sale of 8,000 shares at 59½ and 60½ and extreme advance of 1½ was evidence that a considerable short interest was disagreeably surprised by the character of the change in the iron market, to say nothing of cheerful anguish from the report, although some misgivings were caused by the reactionary movement in the stock after the opening. Union Pacific also continued to hang back, with some effect upon sentimental contributory cause to the reaction, was the unexpectedly heavy engagements of gold for export. Realizing made its immediate appearance, and the general trend of the upward movement in United States Steel preferred did not prevent a rather irregular calling. Bonds were active and irregular. Callings. Bonds were active and irregular. Callings. Bonds were active and irregular. Total sales, per value, \$3,300,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

New York, April 6.—The following were the closing bids on the Stock Exchange today.

Amalgamated Copper 50½

American Locomotive 22½

American Locomotive pfd 82½

American Sugar Refining Co. 127

American Smelting & Refining Co. 38½

American Car Foundry 20½

Anaconda Mining Co. 70½

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe 75

Baltimore & Ohio 60½

Brooklyn Rapid Transit 44½

Chicago & Alton 38½

Canadian Pacific Railway 116

Chesapeake & Ohio 43

Chicago, Milwaukee & Northwestern 171½

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul 145½

Colorado Southern 175½

Consolidated Gas 22

Colorado & Iron 20½

Delaware, Lackawanna & Western 27½

Delaware & Hudson 15½

Denver & Rio Grande 60½

Denver & Rio Grande pfd 60½

General Electric 164

Jersey Central 159½

Illinois Central 139½

Ind. Central 125½

Kansas & Texas 18½

Kansas & Texas pfd 10½

Kansas & Texas pfd 10½

Louisville & Nashville 107½

Manhattan Elevated 142½

Missouri Pacific 93½

Minn., St. P. & S. St. M. 62½

Metropolitan Tractor 114½

New York Central 117½

Erie Railroad 109½

Erie, Lackawanna & Western 125½

Federal, Atlantic & Great Western 125½

New York, Ontario & Western 125½

New York, Ontario & Western 125½

Norfolk & Western 5½

Pacific Mail 23½

Pennsylvania Railway 11½

Pressed Steel 97½

People's Gas 49½

Philadelphia & Reading 125½

Rock Island 22½

Southern Railway 22½

Southern Railway pfd 18½

Southern Pacific 40½

Tennessee Coal & Iron 40½

Texas & Pacific 26½

Twin City 18½

United States Leather 70

United States Steel 113½

United States Steel pfd 10½

United States Rubber 10½

United States Rubber pfd 10½

Union Pacific 89

Union Pacifics pfd 35½

Wabash Railway pfd 35½

Wisconsin Central 18½

C. P. R. in London 118½

New York, April 6.—Prime mercantile per cent, 4½ to 5 per cent, trading exchange, 4½ to 5½ to 6½ to 7½ to 8½ to 9½ to 10½ to 11½ to 12½ to 13½ to 14½ to 15½ to 16½ to 17½ to 18½ to 19½ to 20½ to 21½ to 22½ to 23½ to 24½ to 25½ to 26½ to 27½ to 28½ to 29½ to 30½ to 31½ to 32½ to 33½ to 34½ to 35½ to 36½ to 37½ to 38½ to 39½ to 40½ to 41½ to 42½ to 43½ to 44½ to 45½ to 46½ to 47½ to 48½ to 49½ to 50½ to 51½ to 52½ to 53½ to 54½ to 55½ to 56½ to 57½ to 58½ to 59½ to 60½ to 61½ to 62½ to 63½ to 64½ to 65½ to 66½ to 67½ to 68½ to 69½ to 70½ to 71½ to 72½ to 73½ to 74½ to 75½ to 76½ to 77½ to 78½ to 79½ to 80½ to 81½ to 82½ to 83½ to 84½ to 85½ to 86½ to 87½ to 88½ to 89½ to 90½ to 91½ to 92½ to 93½ to 94½ to 95½ to 96½ to 97½ to 98½ to 99½ to 100½ to 101½ to 102½ to 103½ to 104½ to 105½ to 106½ to 107½ to 108½ to 109½ to 110½ to 111½ to 112½ to 113½ to 114½ to 115½ to 116½ to 117½ to 118½ to 119½ to 120½ to 121½ to 122½ to 123½ to 124½ to 125½ to 126½ to 127½ to 128½ to 129½ to 130½ to 131½ 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Yesterday the Colonist's special correspondent at Clayquot telegraphed that the Indians had reported a large vessel, subsequently found to be the three-masted schooner Kiola, having been found by them drifting about bottom up, and her lumber cargo floating out from her hold and decks. Not a sign of the crew could be seen. The Indians were busy gathering in the floating lumber and piling it up on the beaches along the coast.

SKINS COMING ON TEES.

The special correspondent of the Colonist at Clayquot telegraphed yesterday that the sealing schooners Vera and City of San Diego have shipped their catch of sealskins by the steamer Tees, due here today or tomorrow from the West Coast. The Vera put out to sea as can be ascertained the hull is in perfectly good order. Until the unfortunate vessel is righted and her cabin and forecastle examined for bodies and papers it will be impossible to identify her.

IS LAMORNA AFLOAT?

Sea Captain Who Advances Reasons Why She Should Be.

Captain John Hickey, of the little fishing schooner Ella G., says he cannot believe that the British ship Lamorna is lost. The Ella G. has been off the northern Washington coast for the past six weeks, and while there have been some gales, there has been no weather to account for the vessel's disappearance. The Lamorna was out fifty miles or more from shore, and came through without any losses, said Captain Hickey today.

"If the Lamorna ever got off shore, and I see that she was sighted by Captain Hansen, of the barkentine W. H. Smith, when 355 miles to the southward of Vancouver island, she never was lost. There has been no weather to account for the vessel's disappearance. The Lamorna was out fifty miles or more from shore, and came through without any losses, said Captain Hickey today."

Mr. Emmerson came to office pledged to make the Intercolonial a political machine, and he has lost no time in giving effect to his promise. The country will be given the privilege of providing millions of dollars to enable him to carry out his mischievous policy.

GOVERNMENT WASTES TIME AND MONEY.

The calling together of parliament at such a late date this year cannot be defended. Members of parliament as a rule are business men who can ill afford to devote more time to the transaction of public business than is actually necessary. In 1903, the health of the Premier was not of the best, and there was an excuse for postponing the opening, but in this case the Premier, in such condition, existed this year.

The government, as shown by the programme laid before the house, were not engaged in the consideration of questions of vital importance. The Militia bill had been ready some time before parliament was called and Sir Wilfrid Laurier was simply dancing attendance on the Grand Trunk Railway Company, who had been invited by the government to accept more millions of the people's money. During the long wait, the ministers, instead of preparing their reports, were engaged in travelling about the country at the people's expense. When parliament did meet, it was not surprised to find business in a break-down state. The result has been that the Commons has been kept idle, waiting on the administration. It costs \$28 per minute to keep the legislative mills open, so that the pleasure trips which the country has already paid for once, are still on the slate. The delay is easily traceable to the notorious indecision of the government, which makes it impossible for the ministry to make up its mind on any subject until the last moment. That kind of government is getting to be expensive.

DEFICITS INSTEAD OF INCREASES.

The Liberal leaders, the Liberal press and the Liberal speakers have been continually howling about the huge surpluses of the Laurier government since 1897. It is true that prior to 1895 these surpluses had been deposited at post offices from the pockets of the people, but they are now a source of pride to the erstwhile economists. The "Public Accounts," issued by Hon. S. Fielding, however, show that the surpluses exist on paper only. The following tables show the exact state of the finances since 1896:

Receipts. Expenditure.
1896-97.....\$37,829,778 \$41,872,910
1897-98.....40,555,238 42,974,756
1898-99.....46,741,249 48,105,013
1899-00.....51,029,934 50,442,649
1900-01.....52,514,701 54,500,223
1901-02.....58,050,790 60,826,485
1902-03.....66,037,698 58,741,580
Total.....\$352,758,818 \$357,523,633

According to the fake figures manufactured for use by the Liberal trumpeters, there have been surpluses since 1896-97 aggregating \$11,380,691. Why do the people as to the true condition of Canada's finances? If the federal administration has made such a success of running the affairs of the country, why should they persist in issuing statements which are made ridiculous by the official records compiled by their own leaders? Facts show that Canada has paid a pretty stiff price for Liberal domination. Large balances and a general reduction of the public debt were to be expected with such enormous revenues, but instead, deficits and an increase in the national debt have resulted.

THE ENGLISH HUSBAND.

A clergyman in the London Spectator says: "A poor woman in this parish was consulting me in connection with her domestic troubles, and there was some doubt as to whether her marriage was a legal one, inasmuch as her 'husband' (she had just discovered) appeared to have a wife living, from whom he had been separated. The woman's pathetic query was: 'If he is not my husband, what right has he to knock me about?'

Hiram—Marla, this paper said the husband was retired in confusion. Marla—Does it say how they slept?—Persevera Punch Bowl.

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Mr. Willard Thompson, McNeill's Mills, P.E.I., writes us as follows: "I wish to state to you what Burdock Blood Bitters has done for me. Some time ago my blood got out of order and many boils appeared on my neck, legs and arms. They were so painful that I could not sleep at night. After having tried many different remedies without any success, I finally decided, on the advice of a friend, to use Burdock Blood Bitters. Before I had quite used two bottles the boils had completely disappeared, and I wish to emphasize the fact that I think Burdock Blood Bitters the best blood purifier on the market to-day."

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